



THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA COMMITTEE OF BAR EXAMINERS/OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

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ADMISSION TO PRACTICE LAW IN CALIFORNIA

Congratulations. You have satisfied the requirements for admission to practice law in California. The Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California has obtained an order from the Supreme Court of California permitting you to take the attorney's oath of office on or after November 21, 2005, before a Judge, Justice or Clerk of a Court of Record, Commanding Officer if in the military service, the American Consul if in a foreign country, or a notary public. In California, a Court of Record includes the Superior Courts, the Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court. Also in California, the following officials are authorized to administer the attorney's oath: court commissioners, notary public, shorthand court reporters, any member of the legislature, any county officer and any member of the State Bar Board of Governors. Specific information regarding registration and fees and a membership enrollment card are enclosed. The Committee has made arrangements for admission ceremonies to be held in several cities. You may attend one of the admission ceremonies that will be held before the California Courts of Appeal at the times and places indicated below. You are not required to attend an admission ceremony to take the attorney's oath. You may take the oath before any of the officials noted above.

LOCATIONS

Oakland	December 7, 2005 - 10:30 a.m. Oakland Convention Center Broadway at 10th Street Oakland, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California will take place during this ceremony.)	Orange County	December 1, 2005 - 10:00 a.m. Hyatt Regency - Orange 11999 Harbor Blvd.(at Chapman Ave) Garden Grove, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California will take place during this ceremony.)
Sacramento	December 1, 2005 - 10:00 a.m. Court of Appeal Third Appellate District 914 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Courts will not take place during this ceremony.)	San Diego	December 1, 2005 - 10:00 a.m. San Diego Convention Center 111 W. Harbor Drive, Room 30 San Diego, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California will take place during this ceremony.)
Fresno	December 7, 2005 - 3:00 p.m. Fresno City Hall Council Chambers 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California will take place during this ceremony.)	Ventura	December 5, 2005 - 4:00 p.m. Ventura Hall of Justice Courtroom 22 800 South Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Courts will not take place during this ceremony.)
Los Angeles	December 6, 2005 - 10:00 a.m. Pasadena Civic Auditorium 300 East Green Street Pasadena, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California will take place during this ceremony.)	Riverside/ San Bernardino	December 1, 2005 - 10:00 a.m. Riverside Superior Court Historic Court House Ceremonial Courtroom 4050 Main Street, Dept. 1 Riverside, CA (Admission to the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California will take place during this ceremony.)

Your bar examination results are valid for five years from the last day of the examination you passed. Once you have been informed that you have fulfilled all the requirements for admission to practice law and that your name was placed on a motion to the Supreme Court, it is not necessary to file any additional applications or reapplications, including moral character, during the period between the date of the examination you passed and the expiration of five years from that date, before taking the attorney's oath.

You may subscribe to the oath where you are. It is not necessary for you to return to California. Following the forwarding of the completed membership enrollment card, which has the oath on the back, to the State Bar's Membership Records department, you are eligible to start practicing law.

CAUTION!

The *Rules Regulating Admission to Practice Law in California (Rules)* provide that if you have not taken the attorney's oath within five years after the last day of the bar examination that you passed, you become ineligible for admission. You will again have to pass the California Bar Examination and have a current positive moral character determination in order to be re-certified as eligible to take the attorney's oath.

CERTIFICATE OF ADMISSION

A customized certificate will be provided to those who order one. There is a \$60.00 charge for this certificate. The cost of the customized certificate will increase to \$69.00 effective January 1, 2006. The certificate is 11" x 14" on cream parchment. It includes the gold Supreme Court seal and the attorney's name and date of admission are lithographically impressed to match the certificate text. To order a customized certificate, you must initial the appropriate box on the back of the membership enrollment card. The cost of the certificate will be included on your regular membership fee statement. A standard certificate produced by the Supreme Court is also available, at no cost, by initialing the appropriate box on the back of the membership enrollment card. **The name under which you are admitted is the name that will appear on the Admission Certificate.** If your name has changed, please refer to the enclosed Membership Enrollment information. Admission Certificates generally will be mailed within two to three months after receipt of the order. Any questions concerning the certificate of admission should be directed to the **San Francisco Office of Admissions (415) 538-2327.**

TRANSFER OF MBE SCORES TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS

The National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) will transfer your MBE score to admitting authorities in other jurisdictions. A form for facilitating the transfer can be found online through the National Conference of Bar Examiners' Web site at www.ncbex.org. In accordance with the *Rules* passing applicants do not have access to their scores from the examination and they will be advised only whether their MBE score meets another jurisdiction's minimum requirement.

**ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES
DISTRICT COURT
Northern District**

Immediately following the ceremony for admission to practice in the California courts, the United States District Court for the Northern District of California will convene for the purpose of admitting interested applicants to the bar of that Court. If you wish to be admitted to that Court at that time, you must take the District Court oath during the ceremony and pick up your validation card and instructions at the conclusion of the ceremony. Your District Court certificate will be mailed to you within several weeks following the ceremony. An Admission Packet may be downloaded from the internet. Please refer to the District Court's website: www.cand.uscourts.gov for fee information and forms.

Eastern District

In Fresno, immediately following the ceremony for admission to practice in the California courts, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California will convene for the purpose of admitting interested applicants to the bar of that Court. If you wish to be admitted at that time, you must complete an admission card, submit a payment in the amount of \$180.00, and take the oath administered during the admission ceremony. Your District Court admission certificate will be mailed to you within 4-6 weeks following the ceremony. In Sacramento, the ceremony to be admitted into the United States District Court will be held at the U. S. District Courthouse, 501 "I" Street, Sacramento. Information regarding the exact time of this ceremony will be available at the ceremony for admission to practice in the California courts.

If you are unable to attend the ceremony, you may be admitted by mail. Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Clerk's Office at 650 Capitol Mall, Room 2546, Sacramento, CA 95814 or 1130 "O" Street, Room 5000, Fresno, CA 93721, Attn: Attorney Admissions, to receive more information.

Central District

Los Angeles County/Orange County:

Immediately following the ceremony for admission to practice in the California courts, the United States District Court for the Central District of California will convene for the purpose of admitting interested applicants to the bar of that Court. If you wish to be admitted to that Court at that time, you must complete an application for the District Court and submit the \$185.00 fee in the form of a certified bank check or U.S. Postal Money Order (no personal checks or cash) in the amount of \$185.00, payable to the Clerk of the Court. A representative for the U. S. District Court will be on site to collect the application and fee. You must take the District Court oath during the ceremony. Applications and instructions for completing the application are available on the court's Internet Website at <http://www.cacd.uscourts.gov> (click on Forms). The form numbers for the application and instructions are G-60 and G-62. **The application must be filled out before your arrival at the ceremony.** If you are unable to attend the ceremony, you may mail your application and fee to the District Court.

Southern District

San Diego:

Packages will be available at the December 1, 2005 Admission Ceremony for those wishing to be sworn in to the District Court. The fee is \$180.00 payable by check.

Federal Court Telephone Numbers or Website:

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| ● Central District: | www.cacd.uscourts.gov | ● Eastern District: | 916-930-4000
www.casd.uscourts.gov |
| ● Northern District: | 415-522-2000
www.casd.uscourts.gov | ● Southern District: | 619-557-5600
www.casd.uscourts.gov |

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: YOU WILL NOT BE ADMITTED TO PRACTICE UNTIL YOU HAVE TAKEN THE OATH NOR WILL YOU BE ENROLLED AS AN ATTORNEY UNTIL YOUR COMPLETED MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT CARD IS RECEIVED.